

Table 8-1. Summary of National Child Support Program Statistics, Selected Fiscal Years 1978-2010
(Numbers in Thousands, Dollars in Millions)

Measure	1978	1982	1986	1990	1994	1998	2002	2006	2010
Total child support collections	\$1,047	\$1,770	\$3,246	\$6,010	\$9,850	\$14,347	\$20,137	\$23,933	\$26,556
Total TANF collections	\$472	\$786	\$1,225	\$1,750	\$2,550	\$2,649	\$2,893	\$2,112	\$1,791
Federal	\$311	\$311	\$369	\$533	\$762	\$960	\$1,180	\$1,086	\$891
State	\$148	\$354	\$424	\$620	\$891	\$1,089	\$950	\$875	\$716
Total non-TANF collections	\$575	\$984	\$2,019	\$4,260	\$7,300	\$11,698	\$17,244	\$21,822	\$24,765
 Total administrative expenditures	 \$312	 \$612	 \$941	 \$1,606	 \$2,556	 \$3,584	 \$5,183	 \$5,561	 \$5,776
Federal	\$236	\$459	\$633	\$1,061	\$1,741	\$2,385	\$3,432	\$3,677	\$3,811
State	\$76	\$153	\$308	\$545	\$816	\$1,199	\$1,752	\$1,884	\$1,964
 Federal incentive payments to States and localities (actual)	 \$54	 \$107	 \$173	 \$258	 \$374	 \$385	 \$450	 \$458	 \$450
 Average number of TANF cases in which a collection was made	 458	 597	 582	 701	 926	 790	 806	 747	 713
Average number of non-TANF cases in which a collection was made	249	448	786	1,363	3,169	3,071	7,013	7,783	8,137
Number of paternities established	111	173	245	393	592	848	697	675	620
Number of support obligations established	315	462	731	1,022	1,025	1,148	1,220	1,159	1,297
 Total child support collections per dollar of total administrative expenses	 \$3.40	 \$2.90	 \$3.50	 \$3.70	 \$3.90	 \$4.00	 \$3.89	 \$4.30	 \$4.60

Note: Paternities established do not include the paternities established through the In-Hospital Paternity Acknowledgment Program (for which data are available beginning in fiscal year 1994). In fiscal year 1994, 84,411 paternities were established in hospitals; 614,081 in fiscal year 1998; 829,988 in fiscal year 2002; 1,025,521 in fiscal year 2006; and 1,113,719 in fiscal year 2010.

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